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For years I have relied more upon Ayer's Pills than any thing else, to regulate my bowels. These Pills are mild in action, and do their work thoroughly. I have used them with good effect in cases of Rheumatism, Kidney Trouble, and Dyspepsia. — G. F. Miller, Northborough, Mass.

Ayer's Pills cured me of Stomach and Liver troubles, from which I had suffered for years. I consider them the best pills made, and would not be without them. — Morris Gates, Danville, N. Y.

I was attacked with Bilious Fever, which was followed by jaundice, and was so dangerously ill that my friends despaired of my recovery. I commenced taking Ayer's Pills, and soon regained my customary strength and vigor. — John C. Patton, Lowell, Nebraska.

Last spring I suffered greatly from a troublesome humor on my side. In spite of every effort to cure the eruption, it increased until the flesh became entirely raw. I was troubled, at the same time, with indigestion, and distressing pains in the bowels.

By the advice of a friend I began taking Ayer's Pills. In a short time I was free from pain, my food digested properly, the sores on my body commenced healing, and, in less than one month, I was cured. — Samuel D. White, Atlanta, Ga.

I have long used Ayer's Pills, in my family, and believe them to be the best pills made. — S. C. Darden, Darden, Miss.

My wife and little girl were taken with Dysentery a few days ago, and I at once began giving them small doses of Ayer's Pills, thinking I would call a doctor if the disease became any worse. In a short time the bloody discharges stopped, all pain went away, and health was restored. — Theodore Esling, Richmond, Va.

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EARTHQUAKE THEORIES.

Some of Those That Have Been Laid Upon the Nation's Authorities.

Since the Charleston earthquake the newspapers of the land have teemed with earthquake theories. Earthquakes have been ascribed to the explosion of gases in the interior of the earth, to the falling of caverns, to collapse due to the extraction of gases and oils by wells; they have been ascribed to interior electricity, as if they were lightning strokes; they have been ascribed to meteorologic conditions, as if storms have beaten down the foundations of the earth; they have been ascribed to astronomic causes, as if the sun and moon were tearing the earth to pieces in fierce combat; and, finally, they have been ascribed to astrologic causes—occult phases of the planets. Then earthquakes have been presented as a journey from Eastern Asia under the depths of the Pacific and on by the Sierra Nevada and Rocky Mountains, where it stopped in the Yellowstone Park to set off a gas-set, then on through the valley of the Mississippi and the Appalachian Mountains until it reached the depths beneath Charleston, where it expired in convulsions. Other pundits became prophets and foretold dire calamities. A collection of this mythologic literature sent to the writer would make several volumes. It is strange that these whimsical vagaries should have such circulation, as if all the hidden history of earthquakes had been destroyed and forgotten, and as if the science of geology, with its libraries of facts had not been born. An earthquake is a startling phenomenon, and fills the soul with terror, as the foundations of the earth are broken up and the very type of stability becomes unstable, and experience organized into intuition is belied. Under such circumstances the imaginations of men run riot; fools are philosophers and charlatans are leaders of thought. Such is the lesson derived from the earthquake literature of the months succeeding the catastrophe at Charleston. I have seen a tribe of Indians dance and howl all the night long about the body of a man prostrated with a fever, all day long, and the next morning, who from time to time performed tricks that were interpreted as miracles, and the fury of the orgy was kept at a white heat. It has been a sad reflection that man, even in the savage state, could thus be made to believe a lie, and still to believe another and another, from day to day and from hour to hour of a whole life, when in each case the evidence for its confutation was so near at hand. But the savage scene had its parallel among a terror-stricken people, as they waited for an earthquake on the word of a "weather prophet" charlatan.—Prof. J. W. Powell, in Forum.

PRETTY STEADY DIET.

Sensations of a Traveler Who Lived for Many Weeks on Irish Stew.

"Talking about things to eat," said a passenger from the East, "let me tell you of an experience I had once. Five or six years ago I took passage on a clipper ship from Baltimore to Bremen. I was the only passenger, and, of course, had to dine with the captain and the mate. The fare at first was simple, but endurable. The third day out the captain called the cook in. 'Cook,' said he, with an oath, 'why haven't you had any Irish stew?'"

"'Cause I didn't know you wanted 'em,'" replied the cook. "But I do want 'em," the captain went on, with another oath, "and I'm going to have 'em. I want an Irish stew on the table every meal the rest of this voyage—d'ye hear?" Irish stew was ordered.

"And Irish stew it was. We had stew for breakfast, for dinner, for supper. For a day or two it was well enough. At the end of a week I was tired of stew. At the end of two weeks I loathed it. At the end of the third week the very sight of it gagged me. Once I ventured to hint to the captain that I would like a change, but the ensuing I got—he was a terrible man—silenced me forever. It was Irish stew—the way from Baltimore to Bremen—thirty-five days in all. Some days I went without food—some days I managed to choke down a mouthful or two of it. By going by sailing vessel instead of passenger ship, I saved fifty dollars on the passage, but when I arrived in Bremen I weighed twenty-nine pounds less than when I left Baltimore. I have never tasted Irish stew since, and never will again."—Chicago Herald.

Spontaneous Combustion.

Mr. Braidwood, superintendent of the London fire engine establishment, stated before a committee of the House of Lords that by long exposure to heat not much exceeding that of boiling water, timber is brought into such a condition that something like spontaneous combustion takes place, and that it may take eight years for the heat from pipes charged with oil or used to convey steam, hot water or heated air, laid among the joists of a floor or in the heart of a partition, or elsewhere in a building, incased in timber, to induce the condition necessary to the actual ignition of the timber.—Glasgow Herald.

—M. Gijnet stated that of all manures applied locally to soils the best results are obtained from lime of lime. He points the soil with a thick coating, and sometimes a single application is sufficient to cause the inflammation to subside; it is better, however, to make the application several times a day for several days.—Health and Home.

—The hen stops laying as soon as eggs get dear.—The Judge.

Renews Her Youth.

Mrs. Phoebe Chesley, Peterson, Clay Co., Iowa, tells the following remarkable story, the truth of which is verified by the residents of the town: "I am 73 years old, have been troubled with kidney complaint and lameness for many years, could not dress myself without help. Now I am relieved from all pain and soreness, and am enabled to do all my own housework. I owe my thanks to Electric Bitters for having renewed my youth, and removed completely all disease and pain. Try a bottle, only 50c, at John A. Swearingen's Drug Store.

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THURSDAY EVE, FEB. 24, 1887.

Mr. Cleveland only voted three pen-
nons last yesterday.

Two Illinois Senators have passed the
bill appropriating \$45,000 for the
Soldiers and Sailors' Home at Quincy.
Now awaits the signature of the Governor.

The Indiana middle is not yet decid-
ed. The Supreme Court yesterday de-
cided that it had no jurisdiction in the
matter of the contested election for Lieu-
tenant-Governor, and that the matter
must be decided by the Legislature. The
Indiana row today, and news from Indi-
ana will be awaited with interest.

Chicago Times. Who said George H.
Pendleton was not a "strange democrat"?
Upon his visit to the Senate chamber,
the other day, after his return from Eu-
rope, "the first thing he did was to go
to the clock room, and see if Senator
Beck's job of Jeffersonian simplicity was
on the same old shelf." The job was in
place, and there it was. Mr. Pendleton
gave a moving proof that his democ-
racy had not been seriously impaired
by his two years' residence under an
oligarchical domination, or by his
previous dalliance with the Mugwumps.

The quality of gentleman George's de-
mocracy is so robust, so to speak, so that
of the contents of Senator Beck's time-
honored job.

Tex negroes of Texas not up in the
phenomenon as high as the Bostonians,
they have a very firm idea of what they
mean when they say anything. For in-
stance, they style the Democratic de-
mocracy "Mugwumps." There is no good
and expression term as "Mugwumps."
We have an old soldier in this city who
has a variety of hitting the nail on the
head in a number of his localities.

Head of the army, after the pro-
cessing of the dependent pension bill, he would
have done it a month. Meeting him
a day or two after the President had
signed the measure, we asked, "Well, Sam,
what do you think of Cleveland now?" "I
think he is a clerk, an inferior, a d-
d clerk," was the wrathful reply. *Times*
replies.

The German elections which were held
on Monday, as shown by the latest re-
turns, resulted in Bismarck's overwhelming
triumph. The Conservative, Minis-
terialists, Imperialists and Nationalists,
who constitute together the Gov-
ernment party, are likely to have a four-
majority without even calling on the
Catholic Centerists for help. As classed
so far elected are 15 in the favor and 109
in opposition. Full 90 percent of the
popular vote was polled, indicating the
great strength of Bismarck with the Ger-
man people. The only "back" to the
complete triumph of the Chancellor in
the defeat of all his opponents in Alsace-
Lorraine, showing that the people of
those provinces are still unconquered in
their dismemberment from France. All
the European houses are very strong, as
Bismarck's victory is considered an as-
surance of power. The conscripts lost
in the number of members elected and in
the popular vote.

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Providing for an additional circuit judge for
the Second Judicial district.
To encourage the holding of a National in-
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the colored race in 1888.

Authorizing the construction of a railroad
bridge across the Missouri river at St. Louis,
by the Chicago, Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha
Railway Company.

The House bill to change the Eastern and
Northern judicial districts of Texas was taken
up.

The substitute for the bill establishing a
United States court in the Indian Territory
was first tabled, but this action was recon-
sidered and the substitute was taken up by the
House.

Mr. Vest, who offered the substitute, ex-
plained that it was much more advisable than
the original bill because it did away with out-
lets for the Indian Territory was
concerned, and established a court at Mexi-
co, in the center of the Indian Territory.

The original bill directed that the Indian
Territory 150 miles, where they were tried and
hanged by the half dozen after being kept in a
cell that was a disgrace to the country.

Mr. Vest defended the Texas bill.
The discussion continued until two o'clock.
When the bill was taken up, the bill to create
a Department of Agriculture and Labor was
taken up.

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A Tardy Gathering and Unimportant Pro-
ceedings—Full Text of the Plat-
form Adopted.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 23.—The late session
of the convention last night caused the
delegates to sleep late this morning.

The sub-committee on platform, consist-
ing of Robert Schilling, of Wisconsin; G.
V. Smith, of Washington Territory; J. R.
Bent, of North Carolina; Frederick Car-
roll, of New York; and E. B. Gillette, of
Iowa, wrestled until late last night with
the platform, and early this morning were
blasting it into shape.

Mr. Vest, who offered the substitute, ex-
plained that it was much more advisable than
the original bill because it did away with out-
lets for the Indian Territory was
concerned, and established a court at Mexi-
co, in the center of the Indian Territory.

The original bill directed that the Indian
Territory 150 miles, where they were tried and
hanged by the half dozen after being kept in a
cell that was a disgrace to the country.

Mr. Vest defended the Texas bill.
The discussion continued until two o'clock.
When the bill was taken up, the bill to create
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ATTACKING THE FORESTS.
The Hills and Vales of Northeast Pen-
sylvania Demanded their Timber.

A half century's incessant logging has
annihilated the forests on the once dense
forests of pine and hemlock in the coun-
ties of northwestern Pennsylvania and the
adjoining counties of New York state has
at last virtually exhausted them. Out of
100 immense tanneries in operation fifteen
years ago there is not but one in operation
to-day, and not more than one of these can
be run for three years longer.

Besides the pine and hemlock forests
that once stood in this region, there were
hundreds of thousands of acres of hard
wood—maple, beech, ash, chestnut, and
oak, and the oak and chestnut have suc-
cumbed to the demand for railroad ties
and telegraph poles, to say nothing of the
tens of thousands of acres of finest specimens of
the red pine, the yellow pine, and the
white pine, which have been cut and burned
up for the manufacture of lumber and
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We would invite all who wish to have the Correct Time to set their clocks and watches by our Regulator.

If your children are late to school, if you miss the trains, and find you must have the correct time, remember we are the only place in the city besides the Western Union Telegraph Office, that ALWAYS HAVE ABSOLUTELY the Correct Standard time for this District.

Telephone us or call and get the CORRECT time.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.

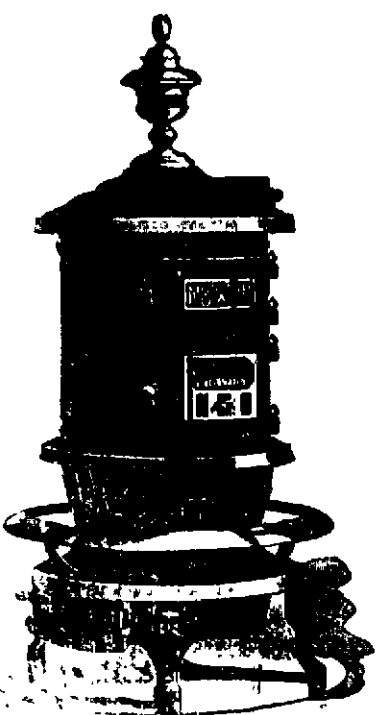
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This is to certify that Otto E. Curtis & Bro. have the only telegraphic communication in this city with the "Washington Observatory." The wires and instruments were put in by and are under the control and supervision of the Western Union Telegraph Co. The time received by them is the LEGAL and authorized time for this the Central district. They receive the time every day at ten o'clock.

J. J. CHADDICK, Manager.

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BOOTS, SHOES AND RUBBERS.

The New Shoe Store, 117 North Water street, is now open and solicits a call. We carry a fine and medium line of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Shoes; also Men's, Boys' and Youths' Boots and Shoes, from the best manufacturers in the East. Every article warranted as represented. If you chose to bring back the goods uninjured we will return the money. We have come to stay, and solicit a share of your patronage.

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TO THE

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All Others Interested.

We invite you to call and get a Catalogue and inspect our Complete Line of

SEEDS
DINGES & COOP.

THURSDAY EVE., FEB. 24, 1887.

LOCAL NEWS.

MAZOUZA WARE. Special bargains in this line of ware at
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.
\$300.00 to loan—George Brown.
The circuit court was in session 26 days.

Bad weather for colds and fever. Take care of yourself.

There was a freeze-up last night, and today but little thawing was done.

There are three empty dwelling houses in one block on North Water street.

This morning a team of six horses passed east on Main street, drawing an empty wagon.

Drive Whist party at the club rooms this evening. Ladies' Night.

Try Hatfield & Co's White Fenn and Domestic flour. All grocers sell it.

Crack corned goods and fresh bread and pies to suit you at J. Lytle & Co's family grocery store.

The new county building will be ready for occupancy the latter part of March.

The Drive Whist game and reception at the Decatur club rooms to-night will begin at 8:30 o'clock. The ladies will be there in goodly numbers.

Scandals and all his company spoke highly of Verner, who appears here Saturday night.

The revival at Stapp's Chapel continues in interest. Church crowded every night.

Last night R. H. Vandever, aged 30, having relatives at Taylorville, was run over by a Wabash train at Taylorville. One leg will have to be amputated.

Deal with A. J. Smith & Son, the North Water street grocers. Everything fresh and nice.

A work and for chase, to be participated in by citizens of Christian and adjoining counties, is being arranged for early in March, to take place two miles west of Taylorville, in which section a number of sheep have recently been killed by the wolves.

153 is Niedermeyer's telephone number. Send in your orders for family groceries.

The Deatur county board of supervisors by a majority of 2 finally voted to give \$35,000 in money and the old fair grounds for the purpose of securing the location of the State Fair. The latter embraces about twenty-three acres, and is to be sold. The land is valued at about \$2,000 an acre, making the total value of the donation about \$80,000.

Step into Knole & Osborne's new store and inspect their fresh stock of groceries. You will buy.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made with all the roads leading into Decatur for excursion rates from the surrounding towns to accommodate parties who will flock here to see Barrett on March 24.

LEAVE your orders at Hanks & Patterson's grocery store for good goods at low prices.

PUPPIES' recital at the Musical College rooms Thursday evening, February 24th. Pupils and their parents are cordially invited to be present. 23-12

J. M. HILL, Manager or Margaret Mathar, says "Mr. Verner is the best Irish comedian now in America." See him in "Shamus O'Brien" Saturday night.

Don't forget, Powers & Haworth do all kinds of repairing, and work that can be done only by the Bradley machine. Half-adding and patching. Feb-22-16

FOR the Genuine Sugar Leaf Lehigh Hard Coal, call at Caldwell, the live coal and wood dealer. nov-27-14

GIVE WHITE Lead a trial. Sold by all grocers.

GUESTS' MUFFLERS, ranging in price from 50c up to the finest made, at B. Stine's. d-16

A Captain's Fortunate Discovery. Captain Coleman, actor, Weymouth, playing between Atlantic City and New York, has been troubled with a cough so that he was unable to sleep, and was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It not only gave him instant relief, but allayed the extreme soreness in his breast. His children were similarly affected and a single dose had the same happy effect. Dr. King's New Discovery is now the standard remedy in the Coleman household and on board the schooner. Free trial bottles of this standard remedy at John A. Swearingen's drug store.

FINN Jersey Caps at 10c at B. Stine's.

NANTIC NEWS NOTES.

Canning days is the order of the day at present.

Sam Kizer has returned from Riverton. Mrs. Ellen Kizer and daughter, Miss Minta, have returned from Decatur, where they visited relatives.

J. P. Farris left this morning for Quincy on a business trip.

It is rumored that another one of our flume boys sold out, possession to be given March 1.

Mr. Connor, of St. Louis, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Connor.

Squire Danley arrested ex-Squire Wm. K. Kizer on Tuesday for shooting his "yaller dog." The case was tried before Squire Farris, who after hearing the evidence discharged the prisoner.

Mr. Stark, of Indianapolis, is spending a few days with his old-time friend, Chas. Fowler.

L. C. Farnam, of Pawnee, was in our burg Wednesday and sold his interest in the life business to his brother, Dr. A. Farnam, who will conduct the business in future.

Nantico, Ill., Feb. 24.

See the Shoe.

There is a big variety on exhibition in the show window at the I. B. Massey Shoe Store on Water street, one that is attracting much attention and is causing general talk about town. It is one of the cast-off shoes of Miss Fannie Mills, the museum freak, whose home is at Sandusky, Ohio. The shoe measures 18 inches in length, 1 1/2 around the top and 8 1/2 inches across the bottom. When they were in business at Sandusky the firm made all the shoes worn by Miss Mills. She has the largest foot of any female in the country—Bloomington and Springfield girls not excepted. The father is said to have offered any young man who will marry her \$5,000 in cash, but so far there have been no applicants. All who see the big feet and contemplate the cost of shoe leather, weaken at the prospect of inevitable bankruptcy. Mr. Massey has two cabinet portraits of Miss Mills that he will exhibit to callers.

Cold Wave.

The predictions to-day are that the temperature will fall 15 to 25 degrees by Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Get ready to put on more coal and quilts.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Guy Jenison, the young jeweler, has been on the sick list for several days.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Will Young, Feb. 23, a girl.

Chairman Woodcock, of the county board, had business in the city today.

Tom Bushford, freeman at Bacon & Co's establishment, is on the sick list.

Nate Milpough is working for J. F. Knapp, tinner at Beament.

Lillie Voorhies, the younger daughter of Hon. Wm. Voorhies, is now regarded as dangerously ill at Lexington, Ky.

Mrs. La B. Coker, whose professional name is Ella June Meade, is a guest at the New Denning. She will appear at the opera house this evening.

T. W. McIntosh, general agent for Penn Mutual Life Ins. Co., is in the city offering the people opportunities to make good investments.

Charles P. Thatcher and family are now at St. Bernardino, California. Mr. Thatcher writes under date of the 18th: "It has just cleared off after a week's hard rain. We are well and enjoying the climate."

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gale, living near Lincoln, on Wednesday celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding. In his youth, Mr. Gale was a schoolmate of Samuel J. Elden and a friend of President Van Buren.

J. G. Cloyd got home this morning from his prospecting and pleasure trip to Georgia and Alabama. He didn't invest in Southern land. Mr. Cloyd has one thanks for Cincinnati papers of last evening.

John W. Hartley is home from the state meeting of the Illinois Veterans of the Mexican War, held at Springfield. They resolved to ask the legislature to appropriate \$50,000 for a monument in the capital grounds to be surrounded by a statue of General Hardin.

Death of John Thomas.

Yesterday afternoon John Thomas, the colored driver of Linn & Scruggs' dry goods delivery wagon, died of consumption at the family residence on North Edward street, after an illness of several months. He leaves a widow and one child. John was well known to all the patrons of the store as a genial and trustworthy man. He had been in the employ of the firm seven years.

The funeral took place this afternoon, members of the York Masons attending in a body. Rev. Charles Holmes conducted the services. The remains were expressed to Bellville this afternoon for interment.

A CHICAGO dupe got fired from the New Denning hotel this forenoon for using vulgar language in the breakfast room. He was either drunk or crazy. At the St. Nicholas he gave vent to a tirade of abuse of hotel men, lack drivers and the town in general. He was finally induced to go to bed to settle his nerves.

MARRIAGE licenses have been issued to James C. Kew and Miss Emma Bunkin, Decatur; Alonzo L. Brush, and Miss Lena L. Lefever, Decatur; John H. Yockey and Mrs. Lavinia Cormanck, of Blue Mound.

FRANK BRALL, of Decatur, was among the passengers on the Wabash train, near Toledo, Tuesday morning, when the locomotive exploded. He writes that the train been in motion, a horrible calamity would have been recorded. Quite a number of persons were hurt. Mr. Brall had his hands cut by flying glass, and his hat and coat were torn from his body.

Mrs. LUCINDA GILBERT is on trial in Justice Curtis' court today to keep the peace and for assault and battery on Fannie Bies. Thomas Lee appears for the people and Lawyers Bruun and Keady for the defense. It is a very negro trial, causing great fun for the spectators.

NOTORIOUS Christian county has another outrage case, the accused being Walter Smith, of Morrisonville, whose attempted assault on Lizzie, daughter of J. H. Christopher, caused his arrest and incarceration in the Taylorville jail in default of \$1,000 bail.

The Wabash hospital at Danville is to be closed up on March 1st. It is said Judge Conley don't think much of the hospital scheme. Don't see why. The employees are assessed to pay nearly all the expenses.

THATERS on the Central from the north were white with snow as they arrived at the depot today.

The P. O. lock-boxes are being overwhelmed by the inventor, W. H. Brandle, at the expense of D. W. Brennenman, owner of the building.

Notice.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please call at the old stand and settle the same. All accounts must be settled on satisfactory manner by March 5th, otherwise they will be landed in for collection.

Respectfully, PETER ULLICH.

To-stair Ella June Meade, whose versatile and charming in all her impersonations, will appear at the opera house. She is an artist and will be certain to please the large audience that will greet her.

He was selecting presents for his girl before Christmas. He bought an amber comb, a box of caramels, and a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and showed himself thereby a right sensible dude.

"Enterprises of great pith and moment" are so engrossing the minds of men that they neglect their own affairs, and grow old with pain, forgetting that a bottle of Salvation Oil will cure all.

OYSTERS and meals at J. M. Huff's, 113 three doors north of Millikin's bank.

The Following are the regulations for the observance of Lent by Roman Catholics, as emanated by Rt. Rev. J. L. Spalding, bishop of the diocese of Peoria:

1. All the days of Lent, Sundays excepted, are fasting days.

2. All those who have completed their 21st year are, unless lawfully excused, obliged to abstain from meat during Lent.

3. By dispensation, flesh meat may be used at the principal meal on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, except the Saturdays in Ember week, and the Thursday and Saturday in Holy week.

4. The use of fish and flesh meat is not allowed at the same meal.

5. Those who are under 21 years of age, or perform hard work, or are unwell or convalescent, or unable to fast without serious injury to health, are exempt from the fast. Those who are exempt from fasting by reason of age or hard work, or ill health, may eat meat at more than one meal on the days on which its use is permitted.

6. The time for fulfilling the Paschal duty extends from the first Sunday of Lent to Trinity Sunday.

The French play "Horne in Rags," in five acts, was given last night by the Baby Binkley company. It was a very satisfactory performance. Miss Binkley making many friends by her sprightfulness and fine singing. The company deserved a much larger audience. A more realistic fire scene was never presented on the Decatur stage than was shown in the fourth act of the performance.

THURSDAY night at the Turner Hall, a son of Mr. Deutz, who resides near the brewery, fell off a horizontal bar and broke his left arm two inches above the wrist. Single break.

OWING to sickness in the family the auction sale of stock and other property at the R. B. S. Ulery farm in Mt. Zion township has been postponed until Wednesday, March 2. The sale was to have taken place yesterday.

It may transpire that the government will give Decatur another mail-carrier to expedite the prompt delivery of mail matter. Postmaster Jack has been notified that an inspector will visit this point to view the situation. Another man would give more help inside and outside the office.

In Justice Stevens' court last evening, James Hildebrook was fined \$3 for assaulting Dick Kabinick, and Dick had to put up \$3 for using unseemly language, all because of the fight at the depot.

In the United States District Court at Springfield yesterday, Joseph Holson, of Decatur, pleaded guilty to the charge of selling liquor without paying the special government tax, and was fined \$100 and costs. Not having any money, Holson's choice was to go to jail. Joe had just got out of the Decatur jail when a U. S. officer yanked him off to the capital. Joe will give up running "pocket saloons" in future.

A Big Lot.

The grand jury found seventy indictments during its session of twelve days, adjourning on last Thursday. It spent two days of this time investigating the lyeing of Henry Willman, being persuaded by Judge Hughes to look into the matter. Although a large number of witnesses were examined, over fifty, nothing could be learned, and no indictment was found in this respect.

It may of interest, to state that several of Willman's relatives died in insane asylums.

Ella June Meade.

Programme of the Y. M. C. A. Orchestra benefit at the opera house to-night: Music; Herdman's Horn; Violin Talk; Rev. Tom Cabin on America.

Music; Grandpa's Girl; Old Phantom, the Rival of Maud S.

Music; Joan of Arc; Capture Scene; Music; Scene at the Stake.

Music; Mormon Wife No. 1 on the Arrival of No. 21.

The above entertainment is one highly commended by the pulpit, press and the people as a most enjoyable one, and such as parents need have no hesitation to take their families. Let all the friends give the Orchestra boys a benefit by a full house. Reserved seats only 50 cents.

W. E. MARK.

WHAT is the value of a cow that makes 100 pounds of butter per year in comparison with one that makes 250 pounds per year? It is as ten to 100. By a few years' work in testing and weeding out the poor cows, any dairyman can have a dairy that will average 250 pounds or more of butter to the cow.

Grain In Store in Chicago.

Weekly statement, compiled from the books of the State Warehouse Registrar, showing the amount in bushels, of each kind of grain in store in the Public Warehouses of Chicago, at the close of business on

SATURDAY, February 19, 1887.

Kind. Amount in bushels. Total in store, last year.

Wheat 12,563 1,577,757 14,336,066

When 12,296 1,719,245 2,041,541

Corn 1,226 1,000,000 2,226,000

Oats 1,184 1,000,000 2,184,000

Barley 1,000 1,000,000 2,000,000

Hay 1,000 1,000,000 2,000,000

Total 16,669 1,587,762 17,594,740

Not decrease during the week 142,123 bushels.

J. W. BURST, Warehouse Registrar.

Kid Gloves.

We purpose to make our Kid Glove Department of real interest to the public by offering our "Foster" Gloves at 50c.

The "Foster" Foster fastening Gloves, at 90c. "Foster's" best 5-finger kids, at \$1.00; and our Red French Kids, Foster fastenings, at \$1.18. Every pair warranted when tried on in the store.

Feb-24-dawit LINS & SCRUGGS.

Patriarchs, Observe.

At the regular meeting of Decatur Encampment No. 37, L. O. O. F., this (Thursday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock, there will be work in the P. and R. P. degrees.

E. C. BARRY, C. P.

J. C. MARK, Scribe.

Knights of Pythias.

Regular convocation of Ocm de Leon Lodge No. 17, K. of P., this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock sharp, for business of importance. A full attendance desired.

L. A. BURNHAM, C. C.

F. W. WILDER, K. of R. & S.

Masonic.

Special convocation of Beaumanoir Commandery No. 1, K. T., this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock, for work. A full attendance is requested.

FRANK M. YOUNG, E. C.

N. L. KROSE, Rec.

The new Smock House with 20 rooms is at 914 East Eldorado street. New beds, new furniture—everything new. Transients, \$1.00 a day; week boarders, \$4.00; day boarders, \$3.50. Henry Smock in charge.

Fresh Oysters at J. M. Huff's restaurant, just north of Millikin's bank.

NO MORE COURT.

Adjournment of the January Term After a Session of 26 Days.

Last evening Judge Smith adjourned court until April 9th, when he will return to hear a few motions, approving reports and sales, etc., in order that parties may secure their money and settle up unfinished business.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Trustees of the Church of God, of Warrensburg, vs. Zachariah Boughton, appellant; appeal. Motion to reinstate cause by defendant. Motion overruled.

Emma Minson, administratrix, vs. William M. Catto and Franklin H. Luce; trustees. Motion by defendant for a new trial. Motion overruled and judgment. Appeal prayed and allowed. Bond in the sum of \$2,000 in thirty days. Bill of exception in thirty days. Bond to be approved by clerk.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Minerva Thomas vs. John Thomas et al; foreclosure. Report of master approved. Decree.

Philip A. Williams vs. Bridget P. Ryder and Michael Ryder. Demurrer to last amended bill. Demurrer sustained and bill dismissed.

William George vs. Lavinia Morlan and Peter Morlan; foreclosure. Report of sale approved.

Jerome Florey vs. Rachel Florey et al; chancery. Answer to second amended bill. Demurrer overruled.

Ezekiel C. Howell vs. James H. Dunfee et al; chancery. Report of commissioner approved and decree of sale awarded. One hundred and thirty-five dollars allowed complainant's attorney.

John Ulrich, trustee, vs. Mary Drobisch et al; chancery. Dismissed by plaintiff.

The Decatur Building and Benefit Association et al vs. Albert M. Stafford et al; foreclosure. Referred to master.

SENTENCES.

Frederick Holtz on the verdict of the jury was sentenced to Juliet for one year. The motion for a new trial was overruled. A bill of exceptions will be presented to the court in April.

Godfrey Sterne was sentenced to the Reform School for two years for larceny, the motion for a new trial having been denied.

OTHER CASES.

The indictment against Joseph Miller lottery, was quashed.

Benjamin F. Stanley was fined \$50 and costs on pleading guilty to having resisted Constable Harris.

Isaac Hutchesson, fined for open lewdness and assault, endeavored to secure his discharge from custody, but the court refused to answer the prayer.

A note was entered in the liquor cases against Thomas Andrews and A. S. Morgan.

The case against Harris Hufface, carrying deadly weapon, was stricken with leave to restate.

Daniel W. Craig was denied a new trial for taking illegal fees, and the fine of \$75 stands against him on the docket.

Rats!

A correspondent gives a very simple and easily tried means of driving rats from the premises, and one which he says is very effective. Take copperas, the quantity to depend upon the number of buildings or places infested; pulverize it very fine and sprinkle it in all the buildings, in fact, in every place where they have been in the habit of frequenting. In a few days, according to the writer, all the rats will be gone.

On Tuesday March 29 the breeding firm of D. W. Brennenman & Bro., will sell 40 head of Grade Normans, Clydes and roaster horses at their stables on Franklin street; horses from 3 to 7 years old. Terms: a credit of 12 months. Col. J. W. Judy will be the auctioneer. Sale to commence at 1 p. m. Feb-22-14

MARRIED.

In Decatur February 23d, by Rev. J. D. Roth, Mr. Alfred H. Kemp, of Taylor, Kan., and Mrs. Kate A. Henderson, of Decatur, Ill.

THE DECATUR MARKETS.

Quotations at the Stores and on the Street.

DECATUR, ILL., Feb. 24, 1887.

PRODUCE PRICES.

Below are the prices consumers pay for the necessities of life in Decatur.

SCARFS

Cut hair, per pound 75 to 80

Powdered, " 75 to 80

Guaranteed, " 62 to 65

A. Smith, " 50

RAM CO., " 50

C. " 50

COFFEES

Green Rob, per pound 15 to 20

Java, " 20 to 25

" Mocha, " 25 to 30

Arabica's roasted, package 20 to 25

McClelland's, " 20

COFFEES

Compensator, per pound 25 to 30

Young Hyson, " 25 to 30

Imperial, " 25 to 30

Japan and Oolong 40 to 50

Best black tea 60 to 70

Apples

